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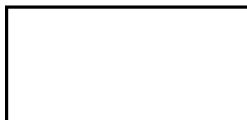
MEMORANDUM TO: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT: Attached Manuscript

Dear Colonel:

This is a mish mash in monotone of all the clichés, speculation, inaccuracies and razzle dazzle thrown at us over the past several years. I believe Admiral Raborn would be well advised to avoid it like mumps. The use of his good name with it in any way, I feel would serve him poorly while adding some shadow of authority to a work which, if read, can only add to the popular misunderstanding of this Agency.

The writer devotes a chapter to a description of the Agency, its headquarters and its staff organization based on "Invisible Government". "Spooks", "Dirty Tricks" etc., come in as usual. Several individuals are identified flatly as "CIA Men". We are accused of using a "double spy system": Diplomatic and ordinaire. A tourist couple is briefed in the U. S. to spy in Moscow. A Baltimore firm is described as "obviously a cover for CIA operations". Guatemala, Cuba, Pigs, U-2, The Gehlen organization (bought by us with a \$3.5 million down payment), Rudolph Abel (a hero). The whole stable is trotted out, but damned poorly shown. I'm quite hopeful that few fans will turn out and fewer wade through the muck.



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Attachment

Manuscript - "Spies and Spying" to be published
by Platt and Munk

10 Nov. - Manuscript returned to Admiral Raborn
w/copy of text of Mr. Goodwin's memo.
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Colonel White:

Admiral Raborn called this morning to request Agency assistance in connection with a query he has received from the publishers of an upcoming book on spying about writing a foreword for the book. The publishers are Platt and Munk, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10010, and the title of the book will be "The Dangerous World of Spies and Spying" written by Robert Liston.

Platt and Munk are publishers of juvenile books for the age group of twelve and over, the audience being mainly boys. Mr. Liston's approach in this book is to divide it into chapters to tell stories about some recent spies (Abel, Wennerstrom, Koonz (sp?) of Pearl Harbor, etc.), the history of spying, new techniques, intelligence organizations of various countries, etc. Mr. Liston has written a book on the Supreme Court which was published by Dell.

Admiral Raborn asked about whom in the Agency he should talk to regarding this. I told him that we would check it out and be back in touch with him.

An important point--The publishers told Admiral Raborn that, if he agreed to write the foreword for the book, they would send him a copy of the manuscript to look over. Admiral Raborn said that he did not intend to make any decision before seeing the manuscript, which he would like the Agency to review.

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Copy to Goodwin for action report.